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POLICY STATEMENT

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1. IN THE ABSENCE OF VICE MINISTER SPASOWSKI, VICE MINISTER
CZYREK INVITED ME TO HIS OFFICE APRIL 15 TO PRESENT A PAPER
CONTAINING THE POLISH GOVERNMENT'S FORMAL REACTION TO
PRESIDENT CARTER'S STATEMENT ON NUCLEAR POWER POLICY. DURING
OUR LUNCH APRIL 8, I GAVE SPASOWSKI THE TEXT OF THE PRESIDENT'S
APRIL 7 STATEMENT. AN INFORMAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION FLOWS
BELOW.

2. CZYREK EXPRESSED THE APPRECIATION OF THE POLISH GOVERNMENT
FOR HAVING BEEN INVITED TO COMMENT ON THE PRESIDENT'S PROPOSALS.
AFTER APOLOGIZING FOR TAKING SO LONG TO RESPOND, CZYREK SAID
THAT HIS GOVERNMENT EXPECTED SOME OF THE PROPOSALS WOULD BE
SUBJECT TO BILATERAL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE UNITED
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STATES AND OTHER COUNTRIES, AND WOULD BE DISCUSSED AT
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES SUCH AS THE NUCLEAR CLUB IN
LONDON. I SAID THAT I DID NOT KNOW THE ATTITUDE OF MY
GOVERNMENT TOWARDS THE SUGGESTION THAT THE PRESIDENT'S
PROPOSALS BE DISCUSSED AT THE NUCLEAR CLUB. I SAID I
WOULD TRANSMIT THE POLISH COMMENTS TO MY GOVERNMENT
AND EXPRESSED SATISFACTION THAT POLAND IS PARTICIPATING

WITH US IN A DIALOGUE ABOUT NUCLEAR NON-
PROLIFERATION.

3. CZYREK ASKED WHETHER THERE WAS ANY LATE NEWS ABOUT
THE RECEPTION OF THE PRESIDENT'S PROPOSALS IN THE FEDERAL
REPUBLIC. HE HAD READ NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS THAT, JUST BEFORE
PUBLIC PRESENTATION OF THE PRESIDENT'S PROPOSALS, THE
WEST GERMAN GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED IT WOULD HONOR ITS
CONTRACTS WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF BRAZIL FOR A NUCLEAR-
POWER PLANT. HE ASKED WHETHER THOS WOULD BE A PROBLEM FOR
US WITH THE WEST GERMANS. I SAID THAT WE EXPECTED TO
CONTINUE TALKING WITH FEDERAL REPUBLIC ABOUT
THIS MATTER.

4. AN INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF THE POLISH PAPER FOLLOWS.

"AS IS KNOWN, POLAND HAS ALWAYS EXPRESSED ITS
DEEP CONCERN OVER THE REAL DANGER OF THE PROLIFERATION
OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AS A RESULT OF THE RAPID DEVELOP-
MENT OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY AND FUEL-CYCLE EQUIPMENT.
FOR MAY YEARS, POLAND HAS ACTED DETERMINEDLY IN THE
CAUSE OF THE UNIVERSAL TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION
OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND THE EFFECTIVE STRENGTHENING AND
IMPROVEMENT OF THE ENTIRE SYSTEM OF SAFEGUARDS AND
GUARANTEES OF THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY
(IAEA) AS WELL AS AVOIDING EXPLOITATION OF INTERNATIONAL
COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF NUCLEAR ENERGY, ESPECIALLY
THE TRANSFER OF NUCLEAR MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT, AND
TECHNOLOGY, FOR THE PRODUCTION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. THERE-
FORE, POLAND COMPLETELY SHARES THE CONCERN ALSO EXPRESSED
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IN THIS MATTER BY THE UNITED STATES.

AT THE SAME TIME, AWARE OF THE GROWING DEMAND
FOR ENERGY AND THE DESIRE OF NATIONS TO SECURE FOR
THEMSELVES SUFFICIENT ENERGY SOURCES, POLAND TAKES
THE POSITION THAT IS NECESSARY TO DEVELOP INTER-
NATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE SPHERE OF THE PEACEFUL
USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY.

ESPECIALLY, THE STRENGTHENING AND EXTENSION
OF THE SYSTEM OF CONTROL ADOPTED BY THE IAEA REQUIRES
URGENT SOLUTION. THE MEASURES UNDERTAKEN
WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE GROUP OF NUCLEAR SUPPLIER-
NATIONS ARE OF GREAT IMPORTANCE IN THIS CONTEXT. IT IS
NECESSARY THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE GROUP BE COMMITTED
TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT NUCLEAR EXPORT MAY TAKE PLACE
ONLY WHEN THE IMPORTING COUNTRY ACCEPTS IAEA CONTROLS
OVER ALL NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES.

AS REGARDS TECHNICAL PROBLEMS CONCERNING THE
NUCLEAR POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES, WHICH HAVE INTER-
NATION IMPLICATIONS, WE SHARE THE VIEW THAT THEY
SHOULD BE THE SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION BETWEEN INTERESTED
STATES, FOR EXAMPLE AT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE GROUP OF NUCLEAR
SUPPLIER-NATIONS IN LONDON.

LIKE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE
GOVERNMENT OF POLAND IS VITALLY INTERESTED IN INTER-
NATIONAL COOPERATION TO WORK OUT AN EFFECTIVE SYSTEM
OF AGREEMENTS WHICH WOULD PREVENT THE PROLIFERATION
OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS WITHOUT ANY DETRIMENT WHATSOEVER
TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF BROAD COOPERATION IN THE
SATISFACTION OF NATIONAL ENERGY REQUIREMENTS.

WARSAW, APRIL 15, 1977."
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